GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:410
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GREENFIELD AIRPORT AT DEVANAHALLI BANGALORE
Madhwaraj Smt. Manorama

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the greenfield airport at Devanahalli, Bangalore cleared by the Union Government in July 2004, have been further delayed;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the overseas consortium funding the project has raised alram over the delay and resultant escalation in projects costs;

(d) if so, whether the Defence Ministry has also introduced additional conditions for grant of No Objection Certificate for the greenfield airport; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to expedite the process?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a)&(b): A few of the critical Agreements namely the State Support Agreement and Land Lease Agreement between Government of Karnataka and Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) and Financing Agreements between lender and BIAL are yet to be signed.

(c): The Bangalore International Airport Limited have expressed their concern.

(d): Yes, Sir.

(e): Airports Authority of India has been advised to finalise CNS/ATM Agreement immediately. The need for amending the No Objection Certificate has been taken up with Ministry of Defence. All pending issues including Agreements which are to be executed by the State Government are being monitored very closely in the Government.